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WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

BY BISHOP DON MAIER

Lutherans schooled on the Small Catechism learn to ask this question of the scripture, the moment and much of what we see going on in the world about us. I raise the old question again in this way:

What does this mean, that 25% of the children in this country live in poverty? What does it mean about our society? About the workings of our economy? About the state of the family? What does it mean for the ELCA in our ministry to the society? What does it mean right now when we are in the throes of welfare reform in this state? What does it mean for the conversation we have in our congregations and the framing of the preacher's sermon?

What does this mean: *Sufficient and Sustainable Livelihood for All?* If you have already put your hand on the study on economic life developed by the ELCA Division for Church in Society, then you have some idea of what that means. The study document is lengthy (117 pages of text) as it looks to Scripture and Luther in search of a Lutheran ethic for economic life. It proposes that the justice we seek is a sufficient, sustainable livelihood for all.

This document is not for the fainthearted or anyone looking for easy solutions. It is for members of our parishes who are thoughtful about their own life in our market economy. It may seem enough for solidly middle-class Lutherans to collect their pay checks and use them to pay the bills for their expanding lives; they need the challenge presented by this study document. It gives pastors and parish leaders a tool to use in a deeper reflection on stewardship and justice and ministry in daily life.

What does this mean: this little article I have written? It means I think you would do well, oh leader, to screw up your courage and curiosity to read ***Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread: Sufficient, Sustainable Livelihood for All.*** You would do well again, if you were to convene a few people in your parish to make use of the document and the study guide in the back of it to undertake a truly challenging venture into the meaning of our calling as God's children of responsibility in this world.

(Order from Augsburg Fortress Distribution Center, Item #69-4219, $3 per copy.)

Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an everflowing stream.
-Amos 5:24

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

1997 SYNOD ASSEMBLY

-MARCIA BATES

Check your calendar and make sure you've got **June 20 and 21** set aside for the 1997 Synod Assembly at Trinity Lutheran Church in Lynnwood.

This year's theme, *Making Christ Known: Congregations in Mission*, will focus on sharing ideas for effective mission and ministry in the congregation. Our theme text is John 20:31.

As an expression of the theme, our display area will highlight the mission efforts of congregations in the synod. Planners invite each congregation to share information about a project or program it has done to reach out to its community. Details about these congregational displays will be outlined in a letter to be mailed to pastors soon.

This year's assembly site will provide participants with several housing options: area hotels, staying with friends, commuting or even RV camping!

Registration materials will be mailed to congregations in March.

To share a suggestion or to serve as an assembly volunteer, please call the assembly planning task force chair, Jane Hansen, at 206/774-0720.

OPEN DATES ON THE BISHOP'S CALENDAR

Bishop Maier has both Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday open on his calendar for visits to congregations.

Please call Donene at the Synod Office, 206/783-9292, if you would like to have the Bishop visit your congregation on either of those days.

♦ *DAWN FEHRING LOVE OF GOD AWARD*

$1,000 AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT & ENCOURAGE CHRISTIAN SERVICE

For the second year in a row since Dawn Fehring's life of Christian service was cut tragically short through a violent act, the *Dawn Fehring Love of God Awards* program is offering $1,000 to support and encourage Christian service.

Proposals for the 1997 award will be accepted from January 1 to March 1. The award will be presented to an individual or organization demonstrating a solid plan of action for:

+ Sharing the love and grace of Christ with all people.
+ Advancing the Gospel.
+ Reaching people not easily reached by the Gospel.

The 1997 award recipient will be announced at 7 pm, Sunday, May 4, at the second annual Celebrate! variety show and awards program fundraiser at the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Olympia.

To receive a request form, contact the church office at 1601 North St, Olympia, WA 98501, 360/357-3554.

REPORTS DUE

The 1997 *Report for all Rostered Ministers*, sent by the Synod Office, are **due back to the Synod Office by February 15.**

Rostered persons are: 1) ordained ministers under call; 2) associates in ministry/diaconal ministers under call; and 3) retired/on leave from call ministers or associates in ministry.

The report was revised by the Conference of Bishops and contains some new questions. Also — a copy of the *Continuing Education Covenant* form was sent to all active rostered ministers.

Parochial Reports, year ending December 31, 1996, are sent to every ELCA congregation by the Office of the Secretary in Chicago. Your congregation should have already received this report. **The parochial report is due to the Synod Office by February 1, 1997**. Your church will be called if the reports are not received in a timely manner!

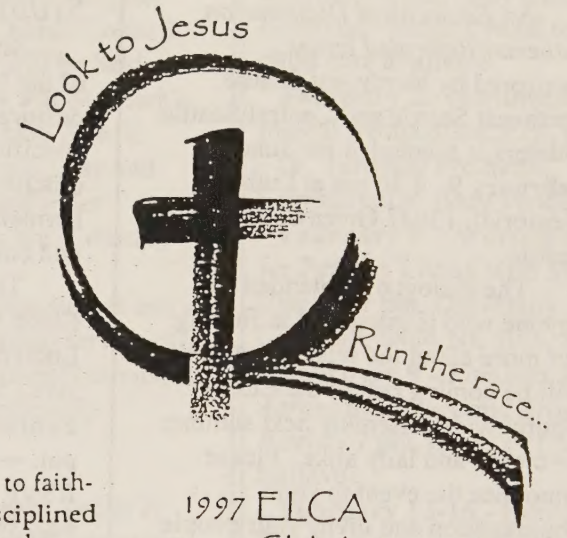
Thank You!

♦ *LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES*

DISASTER RELIEF FUNDS

If there are individuals or families experiencing financial hardships as a result of our many recent storms, Inter-Lutheran Disaster Response funds are available. Please contact Lutheran Social Services of Washington & Idaho at 404 S. 188th, Seattle, WA 98188, 206/901-1685, or the office nearest you.

1997 Global Mission Events



Hebrews 12:1-2 will help us as participants to:

- Look to Jesus and see God whose vision and power transform our lives;
- Recognize and respond to the demands of our callings, giving ourselves in lives of loving service;
- Experience the power of God and the call to faithfulness in the gospel; be equipped and disciplined within the community for God's mission in the world;
- Celebrate our ministry in Christ, cheered and supported by a great cloud of witnesses, "running with perseverence and joy, the race set before us."

International Speakers:

Elsa Tamez, Bible Study Leader

President, Latin American Biblical Seminary
San José, Costa Rica

He Qi, Keynote Speaker

Christian Art Center, Nanjing Union Theological Seminary
People's Republic of China

Join the global celebration at:

Wheaton College
Wheaton, Illinois
July 10-13, 1997

or:

Texas Lutheran University
Seguin, Texas
July 17-20, 1997

EVENTS

♦ *Lutheran/Reformed Issues*

Ecumenical Dialogue

An *Ecumenical Dialogue on Lutheran/Reformed Issues*, sponsored by Northwest Seattle, Northeast Seattle and Central Seattle Clusters is scheduled for Sunday, **February 9**, 4:30 pm at Luther Memorial, 13047 Greenwood Ave N, Seattle.

The dialogue is intended for anyone who is interested in finding out more about the related issues that will be coming before the ELCA Churchwide Assembly next summer — clergy and laity alike. Please announce the event to your congregation and invite your people to attend.

Some materials may be available for your reflection, in advance. For details, contact Pastor Brian Beistel, 206/364-2510.

♦ *First Time Announced*

Lenten Lectionary Study Offered

Study the Sunday lectionary of the Lenten season from the posture of pastoral care . . . specifically, how does the crucifixion itself become the hermeneutic for pastoral, textual, and cultural examination?

The study will be led by Dr. Eldon Olson at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 911 Stewart Ave., Seattle, WA, on Thursday, **February 6**, from 10 am to 3 pm. — sack lunch or nearby deli. RSVP to Gethsemane office, 682-3620.

Lutheran Women's Caucus

Faith and Wholeness will be presented by the Puget Sound Chapter of the Lutheran Women's Caucus on Saturday, **February 15** — 11:45 am, Central Lutheran Church (11th and E. Olive) Caucus members Rev. Sue Wanwig, Christine Jubie, and Ruth Summers will lead discussion in the second part of a three part series.

♦ *Deepen Your Lenten Season Worship & Learning*

John's Gospel and the Journey of Lent

The Parish Education Committee and Immanuel Lutheran Church, Seattle, will present, *John's Gospel and the Journey of Lent*, a lecture series featuring Wes Howard-Brook. The event will be at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1215 Thomas Street, Seattle, on **Friday, March 14 (7-9 pm),** and **Saturday, March 15 (9 am-3 pm).**

Howard-Brook was raised a secular Jew in Los Angeles, and baptized a Catholic at 20 years of age. He considers himself both Jewish and Christian, embracing the truth of traditions which seek to understand and live according to the ways of the Creator. A primary focus of his teaching is scripture as a means for generating Christian community.

A fee of $25 includes lunch on Saturday and all lectures, discussions, and breaks. Continuing education credits are available through LENS. Reservations and questions can be directed to: Julie Gasparek, Northlake Lutheran Church, PO Box 82603, Kenmore, WA 98028, 206/486-6977.

♦ *Two Learning Experiences*

Parents Class/Men & Fatherhood Group

Two learning experiences, taught by Dr. Charles R. Davis, unique but related, will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 6215 196th St. SW, Lynnwood.

Parents Class (designed to be taken first) a four-week class for men and women on Tuesday evenings from 7:15-9:15 pm, is offered February 11-March 4, March 18-April 8, and April 29-May 20; *Men & Fatherhood Group*, a six-week class on Monday evenings, is offered March 10-April 14 and April 21.

Contact Counseling Associates, 206/778-8622, for more information.

♦ *Women's Retreat at Holden Village*

Praying Through the Seasons of Your Life

Pastor Susan Briehl, Director of Holden Village will serve as retreat leader for *Praying Through the Seasons of Your Life*, a prayer retreat for women, **February 14-17.** The liturgical year will serve as guide to understanding the "seasons" in a woman's life; the Psalms will be the central prayer book. The retreat will include worship together and with the whole Holden Community for Vespers and Holy Eucharist.

Cost of the retreat is $126 for three nights, all meals, and program. There is still room for 15 women. Send your reservation to: Pastor Susan Briehl at Holden Village, Chelan, WA 98816.

More Events

Calling All Singles

Single Lutheran Baby Boomers, formed by individuals in the North King/South Snohomish area, was mentioned in a recent issue of *The LUTHERAN. A* letter pointed out that we as a church need to remember that reaching out to singles is a legitimate ministry and evangelism tool, and cited the Boomers as a program that does just that.

Boomers' February events will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, N. 43rd and Fremont, Seattle:

Friday, February 14, 7:30 pm - Bible study and fellowship — cookies and beverages served;

Saturday, February 22, 7 pm - Finger food potluck at St. Paul's, followed by listening and/or dancing to folk music by Singularity at University Friends Center, 4001 9th NE, Seattle.

♦ *VBS Workshop*

Introductory VBS Event

A workshop to introduce the 1997 VBS materials, *Adventure Fair: God's Kids in Action*, will be held on Saturday, **February 1**, 10:30 am-noon at Augsburg/ Fortress, 6601 220th SW, Mountlake Terrace, WA. Amy Plumb will be the presenter.

Called to Proclaim the Name

The Global Mission Committee invites you to a workshop on **February 8**, 1:30-6 pm at the Lutheran Bible Institute. It is hoped that all congregations will send their Mission Advocate and/ or other representatives. Call Henrik Christopherson, 206/391-4046 for additional information.

♦ *Church Council of Greater Seattle*

Mid-Winter Delegates Assembly

The Mid-Winter Delegates Assembly of the Church Council of Greater Seattle will be held Sunday, **February 9** at St. Mark's Cathedral, 1245 Tenth Ave. E, beginning at 3:30 pm. Lay and clergy delegates, and other interested persons, are invited to participate.

A simple Lenten supper and a pre-Lenten ecumenical service of prayer and commitment (service at 7 pm) follow the assembly meeting.

♦ *3-weeks - Beginning January 27*

Pastoral Care Workshop

The Department of Pastoral Care at Swedish Medical Center, in conjunction with the Church Council of Greater Seattle, is offering a 32-hour introductory workshop on developing pastoral skills. *The Art of Being*, is presented Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings for three consecutive weeks beginning **January 27**, from 8:30 am to noon.

Contact the Pastoral Care Office at Swedish Medical Center/ First Hill, 206/386-2082 for registration information.

Region 1 Pastoral Conference

The 1997 Region 1 Pastoral Conference will be held April 7-10 in Victoria, BC. Registration fees: $280 double/$380 single by **February 15**; $305 double/$405 single by **March 7**; $330 double/ $430 single by **March 15**.

Registrar is Jean Scheid, 509/457-5686.

From January Soundings

February 2 - Bishop's Healing Service for clergy, AIMS, their families - 4 pm, Holy Cross, Bellevue - potluck meal to follow, child care available.

February 5 - Northwest Theological Symposium, LBI, 6:30 pm - Dr. Terrence Fretheim, Luther Seminary; Dr. Gary Pence, PLTS.

February 9 - Worship Service for Persons Living with Mental Illness - 7 pm, University Lutheran, 6604 NE 50th, Seattle

February 9 - *Families Valued: Across the Street and Around the World* - 7 pm, Cross of Christ, Bellevue.

February 13-16 - Evangelism/ Teaching Congregation Event, Our Savior's, Salem, OR.

♦ *Registration Deadline Feb. 24*

Calling Seminar

A *hands-on, how-to* seminar on calling on first-time visitors and/or follow-up visits is offered by the Division for Outreach for clergy and congregational leaders on **Saturday, March 1** at Advent Lutheran Church, 13311 21st Ave SE, Mill Creek, WA 98012-5601, 206/337-5373.

The seminar will include examples of effective brochures and sample letters for follow-up with visitors and those considering membership.

The seminar is designed to include the pastor and two lay persons from each congregation. (Remember to include your youth members.)

The $5/person registration fee will help cover the cost of the lunch that will be provided. Registration begins at 8:30 am. Call Cathie Carlisle, 206/624-0093.

RESOURCES

Small Group Bible Study Resource

A new small group resource can help congregations explore issues of peace and justice while building bridges between people.

Regarding Bridges — Needing, Building, Crossing, offers an ongoing Bible study and a dialogue program for congregational small groups.

Produced by the Lutheran Human Relations Association, the resource weaves Bible stories together with participants' stories to expand awareness and understanding of self and others.

The dialogue facilitates the breaking down of hostilities and fears between people, the bridging of racial, cultural and other separations in our society, and the rebuilding of human community.

The six session series can be used for dialogue within a congregation, between partner congregations, or between a congregation and the surrounding community.

Call, write or fax Lutheran Human Relations Association, 2703 N Sherman Blvd., Milwaukee, WI 53210; 414/871-7300; fax 414/871-7341.

Parish Nursing Program

In these times of health care reform, many professional nurses are looking at alternatives to the traditional hospital role. The Parish Nursing Program is one alternative.

Lutheran theologian, educator and author, Dr. Granger Westberg, saw the need to include the whole person — body, mind and spirit — in medical care, and founded the Parish Nurse Ministry in 1984. He noticed the need for an organized approach to keeping people well.

The Puget Sound Parish Nurse Ministries' (PSPNM) monthly meetings are open to Parish Nurses and to any persons interested in this concept of Congregational Health Ministry.

The next meeting will be **Monday, February 17**, from 7-8:30 pm at Horizon House, 900 University Street, Seattle. A spring class for Parish Nurses will begin February 24. For more information, call Carol Story, Program Director, 206/339-8034.

Picture Rocks Retreat

The Association of Lutheran Older Adults have scheduled a retreat for March 3-7 at the Picture Rocks Retreat near Tucson, AZ.

Primary presenter is Dr. George Forell (Prof. Emeritus, School of Religion, University of Iowa); worship and music led by Dr. Carl Schalk (Prof. of Music Emeritus, Concordia Lutheran University). Contact Walter Schmidt, Mount Calvary Lutheran, 602/263-0402, or Rev. Willis Erickson, 520/575-8968, 2581 W Old Glory Dr, Tucson, AZ 85741.

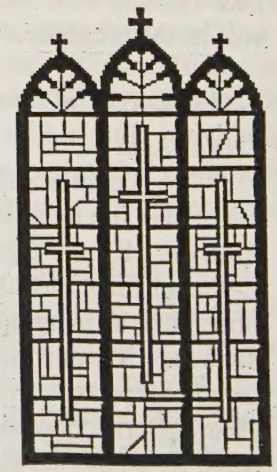
A New Publication

Women Healing and Empowering is a new publication designed for use in small groups of women suffering from domestic abuse.

Since women's safety is a primary concern of the author and publishers, great care has been taken to outline the necessary steps that group facilitators and host congregations should take when they host such groups. These steps appear only in the facilitators' guide. To prevent the use of the participant's guide from being used without reviewing the essential information in the leader's guide, these two guides should be kept together at all times.

The package (one facilitator's guide and five participants' guides) may be ordered from Augsburg Fortress Publishers, 800/328-4648, Code No. 69-9806 V6-000-6542-6.

This publication is one of three resources designed for use in small groups of women, men and youth working toward safe households in our church. The two remaining resources will be produced in 1997.



CONTINUING EDUCATION

WESTERN MISSION LEARNING NETWORK

Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary and Luther Seminary have formed a partnership to provide distance learning opportunities to Region 1. Doctor of Ministry and Master's level core courses are being offered via the World Wide Web.

For information contact Gloria Doherty, 206/774-2435; e-mail, 75362.2627@compuserve.com.

RE-CERTIFICATION WORKSHOPS FOR PREPARATION/ENRICH

Dr. Bill Goodwin of Lutheran Bible Institute, is doing re-certification workshops for pastors and counselors trained to use *Prepare/Enrich*, a pre-marital and marital counseling communication tool. The dates are **January 30** and **March 6**. The workshops will be held on the LBIS campus. For more information and to register, call 206/392-0400 ext. 280. If you are not trained to use this tool but would like information about *Prepare/Enrich*, please call.

CHURCH SECRETARIES

The Ninth Interdenominational National Conference for Church Secretaries and Office Support Staff will be held at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, MN, **June 23-25**. Contact person: Dr. Ellis J. Jones, Conference Coordinator, Gustavus Adolphus College, 800 W College Ave, St. Peter, MN 56082-1498, or call 507/933-7540.

♦ *ADULT DEGREE COMPLETION SCHOLARSHIP*

AAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

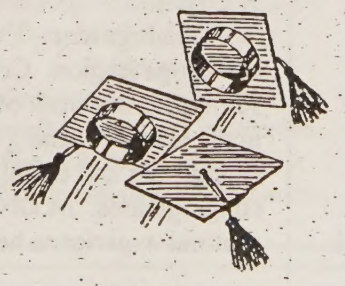
Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL) is offering applications for the AAL Adult Degree Completion Scholarship Program. This program is open to AAL members 25 years of age or older who will complete their first associate's or bachelor's degree between September 1, 1997 and August 31, 1998.

A minimum of 250 nonrenewable scholarships totaling $250,000 will be awarded under this program. Scholarships for full-time students are $1,000 each; for half-time students, $500.

Selection will be based on well-defined career objectives; leadership qualities; church, school and community involvement; and academic records. Financial need is not a factor in choosing the scholarship recipients.

A second scholarship program is available to older students attending Lutheran colleges. Students may apply for both the Adult Degree Completion and Lutheran Campus Scholarship programs; if selected for both, recipients may accept only one scholarship.

Applications are available from AAL district representatives or by calling 800/372-8236. Applications must be postmarked no later than **March 31, 1997.**



There's still TIME!!

MissionIRA investments made by April 15, 1997 may be deducted on your 1996 tax return

Interested?

Call 1-800/638-3522 ext. 2943

Mission Investment Fund of the ELCA

YOUTH NEWS

♦ *SEATTLE LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL DRAMA*

READERS THEATER

Seattle Lutheran High School Drama Department will present Readers Theater, **February 7-9.** This is a student- written production. What happens when students are allowed to create a story, and surround their production with gourmet desserts and a fun social evening? Attend the production to find out!

Call 206/937-7722 for ticket and time information.

♦ *REGISTRATION BEGINS FEBRUARY 1*

HOLDEN YOUTH WEEKENDS!

Registration opens February 1 for the popular May Youth Weekends at Holden Village. The Saturday-Monday events gather high school youth and accompanying adults each weekend in May from throughout Region 1 to beautiful Holden Village, for memorable worship and small group experiences, inspiring speakers, and a chance to meet new people.

Details and registration forms are in the *Just-About-Everything Pages* mailed to each Region 1 congregation last September. For more information, contact the 1997 Holden Weekend coordinator, Krista Sickert, as Messiah Lutheran Church, Auburn, WA, at 206/833-5280.

DANCE POSTPONED

The *Lutheran Youth Together* Valentine Dance, scheduled for February 7 at Magnolia Lutheran Church, has been postponed. The event will be rescheduled and youth groups will be notified.

MISCELLANEOUS

LONG TERM MISSIONARY POSITIONS FOR 1997

For information on these positions, contact Harold Hanson, DGM/ELCA, 8765 W. Higgins Rd., Chicago, IL 60631. E-Mail:<HHANSON@ELCA.ORG> phone: 800/638-3522, ext. 2622; fax: 773-380-2410.

Bangladesh - Seminary Prof., Dhaka, College of Christian Theology, Bangladesh, teacher of Biblical Theology.

Costa Rica - Pastor, San Jose; part of a pastoral team; must be fluent in Spanish.

Ethiopia - Mekane Yesus Seminary, Addis Ababa; Prof. of Old and New Testament; Ph.D in Old or New Testament required.

Haiti - Leadership Training; develop a relationship with Haitians involved in the LWF Caribbean Haitian Project.

Hong Kong - Lutheran Theological Seminary, Prof. of Old Testament. Doctoral degree required.

India - Henry Martyn Institute, Hyderbad, Islamics expert on faculty of a center for Mus- lim-Christian relations. Doctoral degree in Islamics preferred.

India- United Theological College Bangalore, Prof. of New Testament, seminary levels. Doctoral degree in New Testament, teaching experience preferred.

Japan - Kyushu Gakuin Jr. and Sr. High, Kumamoto. Teacher of English.

Madagascar - Evangelism, Mahjanga Region. Coordinate and strengthen the work of evangelists in the area in opening new areas for evangelism and establishing new congregations. M.Div. required; pastoral experience helpful.

Madagasgar - Ivory Seminary, Fianarantsoa, faculty member. M.Div. required; advanced degree helpful.

Papua New Guinea - Martin Luther Seminary, Lae, Seminary Prof. Doctoral degree required. Testament preferred.

LUTHERANS MUST ADAPT TO REACH AMERICA

The church must find new ways to reach audiences in the electronic age. That seemed to be the consensus among speakers who addressed a November 8-10 ELCA conference — *Reach and Serve: Congregations for the 21st Century.*

Speakers used a variety of images and metaphors to call for radical change in the way the church does ministry. They told 636 Lutheran clergy and laypersons that traditional language, images and methods no longer communicate in America.

All speakers agreed the church is challenged to find new ways of reaching a vast unchurched population that is motivated by a different set of principles, assumptions and imagery than the people of the '40s, '50s and '60s. Some comments from the speakers:

- Minister to people on the edge of society.
- Ministry among marginalized people means abandoning the status quo and taking new risks.
- Evangelism must take into account not only the message but the people to whom the message is addressed.
- The church must move from authoritarian structures to those based on relationships.

Want Ads

Chief Financial Officer

Lutheran Bible Institute of Seattle is seeking candidates for the position of Chief Financial Officer.

The Chief Financial Officer is responsible for the fiscal planning, operations, and reporting of the annual operating budgets, and shall give oversight to the financial department, plant maintenance, the conference and housekeeping functions, and computer operations.

Qualifications: experience in financial administration, fluent English language skills, accounting skills, knowledge of budget preparation, computer literate, supervisory skills.

A letter of application accompanies by a resume' may be submitted to: Dr. James A. Bergquist, Lutheran Bible Institute of Seattle, 4221-228th Ave SE, Issaquah, WA 98029-9299, phone: 206/392-0400; FAX

Director of Youth & Family Ministry

Full-time Director of Youth and Family Ministries needed for growing congregation. Programming currently in place for elementary through high school age children. Salary commensurate with experience. Send resume' to: Central Lutheran Church, 1857 Potter St, Eugene, OR 97403; phone, 541/345-0395.

Free Pews

Eight 17 foot long oak pews with padded seats. Contact Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Seattle 98101, 206/682-3620.

Family News

Kenneth Olson, LAMP

The Rev. Kenneth Olson, Skipper of the MV Christian, drowned in Alaska after falling through thin ice while ice skating. Olson served through the Lutheran Association of Missionaries and Pilots (LAMP). A memorial service was held January 6 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Everett, in addition to services in Wrangell and Anchorage, AK. Olson is survived by his wife, Nancy Olson, of Wrangell, AK.

David Cox Assistant to Bishop in Illinois

The Rev. Dr. David E. Cox has been called to serve as an Assistant to the Bishop, Director for Outreach, Evangelism and Stewardship of the Central/Southern Illinois Synod.

Pastor Cox served Richland Lutheran Church, Richland, WA from 1993-96. He previously was a member of the Northwest Washington Synod.

Choir Director/Organist

Bethlehem Lutheran, 3818 S. Angeline, Seattle, WA 98118, seeks to fill a combined position of Choir Director/Organist OR Choir Director. Contact the church office, 206/722-5651 or page number 994-5869, for position details.

Please have your March 1997 *Soundings* contributions into the Synod Office by Friday, February 14.
Your cooperation has made it possible to get this publication into your hands on a regular schedule and in a timely manner.

Please remember in your prayers:

- **Cheryl Anderson** (wife of Arnold Anderson), whose stepfather, Orin Lopeman, died December 18, after a long illness.
- **Craig Jorgensen**, whose father died recently in California.
- Pray for recovery for **Paul Gabrielsen**, who has been undergoing treatment for the past year for a rare disease.
- **Mary Walters**, Luther Memorial, will be returning to Oaxica, Mexico, for her tenth trip with Northwest Medical Teams. She is a volunteer with a team doing clef palate and lip surgery. Mary is responsible for her own expenses and contributions are welcome. Anyone wishing to participate financially in this global mission, may make a check payable to: Mary Walters, and mail directly to Mary at 19230 - 15th Ave NE #B1, Seattle, WA, 98155. Thanks, Mary!

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January

28 Retirees & spouses gathering, Our Savior, Issaquah, 11:30 am
29 Parish Ed Committee, Augsburg Fortress, Mountlake Terrace, noon
30 Board of Congregational Life, Hope, Seattle, 7:30 pm
30 Candidacy Committee, St John, Seattle, 9:30 am

February

1 SYNOD COUNCIL, Bethany, Seattle, 8:30 am
2 Bishop's Healing Service, Holy Cross, Bellevue, 4:00 pm
6 *Praying the Liturgical Seasons*, Dominican Center, Edmonds, 9:00 am
6 Bishop's Convocation Committee, First, Richmond Beach, 4:00 pm
7-8 Pre-retirement Seminar, Camp Brotherhood, Arlington
8 Global Mission Festival, LBI, 1:30 pm
8 Mission 2000 Task Force, Prince of Peace, Everett, 9 am
9 Lowell Knutson PLTS Scholarship Day, Our Savior's, Everett & Edison, Bow
9 Lutheran/Reformed Dialogue, Luther Memorial, Seattle, 4:30 pm
13 Executive Committee, St John, Seattle, 7:30 am
13 Retiree luncheon, St John, Seattle, 11:30 am
13 Worship Task Force, Synod Office, 3:00 pm
13 Budget Summit, St John, Seattle, 7 pm

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CALLS ACCEPTED

Thomas D. Hamren — Light of the Cross, Bothell — 02/01/97
Michael L. Schaefer — Harbour Pointe, Mukilteo — 02/19/97

INSTALLATIONS

Thomas D. Hamren — Light of the Cross, Bothell — 02/23/97
Michael L. Schaefer — Harbour Pointe, Mukilteo — 03/14/97

ORDINATION/COMMISSIONING

None this month

RETIREMENTS

None this month

ANNIVERSARIES/DEDICATIONS/SPECIAL EVENTS

None this month

RESIGNATIONS

Herbert T. Hoff — from Glendale, Seattle — 01/14/97
Jeffrey J. Larson — from ELCA Division for Ministry — 01/31/97

TRANSFERS IN/OUT OF SYNOD

Thomas D. Hamren — from Nebraska Synod — 02/01/97
Herbert T. Hoff — to Sierra Pacific Synod — 01/14/97
Michael L. Schaefer — from Rocky Mountain Synod — 02/19/97

CONGREGATIONS/AGENCIES IN CALL PROCESS V=Vacancy
C=Calling NV=New Vacancy Int=Interim S=Synod Call I=Interviewing

Everett, Faith — Int — Dennis Schaffert, Interim
Marysville, Bethlehem (Assoc) — NV — Jack Richards, Pastor
Point Roberts, Trinity — I
Seattle, Bethel Chinese — V
Seattle, Calvary — Int — Mary Lindberg, Interim
Shoreline, First/Richmond Beach (Assoc) — I — Mitchell Jones, Pastor
Stanwood, Freeborn — Int — Arden Barden, Interim